

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Stratford High School BERKELEY COUNTY

Grades: 9-12 Enrollment: 1,795

Principal: Heather L Taylor

Superintendent: Dr. Rodney Thompson

Board Chair: Dr. Kent Murray

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2014	Excellent	Good	TBD	TBD	В	N/A
2013	Excellent	Good	GOLD	N/A	С	N/A
2012	Excellent	Good	GOLD	N/A	В	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATING OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
24	9	0	0	1

^{*} Ratings are calculated with data available by 04/27/2015. Schools with Students Like Ours with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM(HSAP) EXAM PASSAGE **RATE(%): SECOND YEAR STUDENTS High Schools with Our High School Students Like Ours** 2013 2014 2013 2014 Passed 2 subtests (%) 81.0% 88.0% 81.2% 86.0% Passed 1 subtest (%) 8.1% 13.4% 9.4% 13.2% Passed no subtests (%) 3.9% 5.4% 5.2% 6.4%

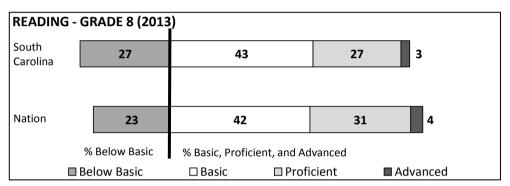
HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2014					
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours			
Passage Rate	95.8%	94.1%			

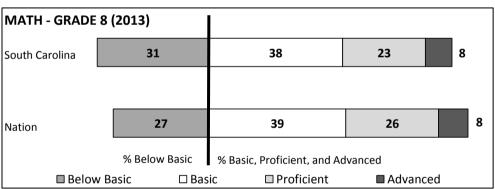
ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE					
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours			
Number of students	442	331			
Number of diplomas	353	268			
Rate (%)	79.9%	82.3%			

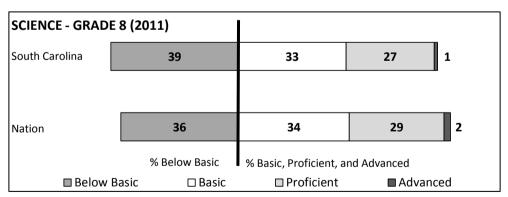
END OF COURSE TESTS - 2014				
% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours		
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	92.7%	84.7%		
English 1	77.4%	76.8%		
Biology 1/Applied Biology 2	88.9%	82.8%		
US History and the Constitution	79.2%	71.5%		
All Tests	84.4%	79.2%		

NAEP*

*Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.







SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n = 1,795)				
Retention Rate	1.1%	Down from 2.0%	2.1%	3.0%
Attendance Rate	99.0%	Up from 98.6%	96.3%	96.2%
Served by gifted and talented program	15.7%	Up from 11.9%	25.7%	17.7%
With disabilities	10.8%	Down from 10.9%	10.8%	11.5%
Older than usual for grade	5.6%	Down from 6.0%	5.9%	7.1%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.7%	Up from 1.2%	1.0%	1.1%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	21.5%	Down from 22.9%	22.7%	15.4%
Successful on AP/IB exams	64.4%	Up from 56.0%	51.4%	52.8%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	25.4%	Down from 26.6%	36.7%	30.6%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	6.4%	Up from 3.8%	4.9%	5.3%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	1211	Down from 1228	764	423
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	81.9%	Up from 77.5%	86.6%	84.5%
Annual dropout rate	1.7%	Down from 2.7%	2.3%	2.1%
Teachers (n = 105)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	73.3%	Up from 70.6%	65.3%	64.3%
Continuing contract teachers	86.7%	Up from 85.3%	79.8%	77.3%
Teachers returning from previous year	91.9%	Up from 89.4%	87.3%	85.5%
Teacher attendance rate	94.1%	Down from 94.6%	95.6%	95.5%
Average teacher salary*	\$51,943	Up 2.9%	\$50,068	\$48,414
Classes not taught by higly qualified teachers	1.4%	Up from 1.3%	1.6%	3.0%
Professional development days/teacher	3.9 days	Down from 7.1 days	10.5 days	10.0 days
School				
Principal's years at school	1.0	Down from 4.0	3.3	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	29.0 to 1	Up from 26.8 to 1	27.8 to 1	26.0 to 1
Prime instructional time	92.4%	Down from 92.6%	90.2%	90.3%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,900	Up 4.0%	\$7,458	\$8,238
Percent expenditures for teacher salaries**	68.7%	Up from 68.0%	61.0%	56.9%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	69.5%	Down from 71.0%	61.7%	58.0%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	73.4%	Down from 76.5%	98.7%	98.7%
Character development program	Below Average	Down from Good	Good	Good
ESEA composite index score	82.0	Up from 74.9	88.3	84.1

^{*} Length of contract = 185+ days.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	115	375	56
Percent satisfied with learning environment	96.5%	74.4%	91.1%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	98.2%	82.1%	89.2%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	91.1%	85.4%	72.7%

^{*} Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included. For schools without grade eleven, only the highest grade was included.

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The faculty and staff at Stratford High School work diligently to serve our 1,750 ninth through twelfth grade student population. At Stratford High School, we strive to meet each student's needs, and we are proud of our diverse student body. The Stratford High School's team consists of 128 certified, and 55 classified staff members who are devoted to provide each of our students the necessary skills and knowledge to achieve a successful adulthood. The dedication of teachers and staff, commitment and support of the community, and both academic and athletic achievements of the students, have driven Stratford High School to unparalleled status in the district and the state.

The goal of our curriculum is to provide our students the opportunity to develop their individual talents and passions. We are focused on putting the student's interests first, and offer many specialized programs to fulfill each student's desires. The specialized programs offered at Stratford High School, include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Automotive Technology
- Biomedical Science
- Broadcast Journalism
- Building Construction
- Computer Science
- Culinary Arts
- Health Science
- Engineering

In addition to maintaining our academic excellence and career focused instruction, students engage in community service and leadership opportunities through athletics, fine arts, JROTC, National Honor Society, Beta Club, and many other clubs and organizations.

Our continued vision is to challenge and empower our students to be successful in a highly competitive world. Therefore, it is imperative that we make every effort to hold our students to high expectations in order to surpass these standards, and build upon our accomplishments.

As a result of involved parents, business partners, devoted teachers, and conscientious students who all understand the value of public education, Stratford High School will continue to foster life-long learners and cultivate the legacy of success within the community it serves.

Heather L. Taylor Principal

Bonita Tavares, Chair School Improvement Council

Abbreviations Key

N/C-Not Collected **N/R**-Not Reported

^{**}Prior year audited financial data available.